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**COMMISSION PANEL DETERMINATION  
REGARDING JUST AND SUFFICIENT CAUSE  
NRS 281.511(3)**

**COMMISSION PANEL: BILL FLANGAS AND GEORGE KEELE**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST FOR OPINION  
CONCERNING THE CONDUCT OF  
Oscar B. Goodman, Mayor, City of Las Vegas**

**Request for Opinion  
No. 04-05**

On April 2, 2004 pursuant to NRS 281.462, a Commission Panel reviewed the Executive Director's Report and Recommendation Regarding Just and Sufficient Cause, the request for opinion filed herein, and all related documents and determined that just and sufficient cause exists for the Commission to hold a hearing and render an opinion on the allegations that Mr. Goodman violated the provisions of NRS 281.481(1) in one instance, and NRS 281.481(2) in two instances, NRS 281.481(7) in two instances, NRS 281.481(10) in one instance, and NRS 281.553 in two instances. The Panel further determined that just and sufficient cause does not exist for the Commission to hold a hearing and render an opinion on the allegations that Mr. Goodman violated the provisions of NRS 281.501(2), NRS 281.501(3), or NRS 281.501(4).

The Request for Opinion is, therefore, REFERRED TO THE NEVADA COMMISSION ON ETHICS, and is scheduled for hearing on Wednesday, May 12, 2004 at 9:00 a.m. in Clark County, Nevada.

DATED: April 2, 2004

Stacy M. Jennings  
Stacy M. Jennings, MPA, Executive Director

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that I am an employee of the Nevada Commission on Ethics and that on this day at Carson City, Nevada, I placed a true and correct copy of the Commission Panel Determination Regarding Just and Sufficient Cause in an envelope and deposited same in the mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

Oscar B. Goodman, Mayor  
City of Las Vegas  
400 Stewart Avenue  
Las Vegas, NV 89101

Dated: April 2, 2004

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### ***Clarification Regarding Panel Determination***

The panel unanimously found just and sufficient cause exists to forward to the Commission the allegations that Mayor Goodman violated the provisions of NRS 281.481(2) and NRS 281.481(7) regarding the allegations surrounding the iPolitixs issue.

The panel unanimously agreed just and sufficient cause did not exist to substantiate violations of NRS 281.501(2), NRS 281.501(3), and NRS 281.501(4) by Mayor Goodman, and further dismissed these allegations.

As to additional issues presented in the Executive Director's Report and Recommendations Regarding Just and Sufficient Cause, the panel did not reach a unanimous decision regarding just and sufficient cause for the potential violations of statute as listed in the Executive Director's report in relation to:

1. The acceptance and use of a 2003 Cadillac Seville STS;
2. The endorsement of Bombay Sapphire gin; and
3. The endorsement of a contest for Jane magazine which includes renaming a city street by Las Vegas Mayor Oscar Goodman for the contest winner.

Pursuant to the provisions of NAC 281.194, a finding by a panel that no just and sufficient cause exists to render an opinion on an ethics complaint must be unanimous. Therefore, these issues are referred to the Nevada Commission on Ethics.

*Stacy M. Jennings*

Executive Director  
Nevada Commission on Ethics  
April 2, 2004